

December 2, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Arrest of Lee Harvey Oswald

Sir:

At approximately 2:00 pm, November 22, 1963, I was working Squad #223 in Oak Cliff. I was cruising in the area of Tenth Street and Beckley Avenue looking for the killer of Officer J. D. Tippit. The Dispatcher put out a call stating that the suspect was in the Texas Theater on Jefferson Blvd. I proceeded to the rear of the Theater and parked my squad car in the aisle. I entered the rear door with Officers A. L. McDonald and T. A. Hutson. Officer McDonald and I walked across the stage and jumped down to the main seating area. Officer Hutson walked down the stairs next to the door we had entered. I started walking up the north aisle toward two men who were observed sitting in the middle of the show.

Officer McDonald was walking up the South aisle also toward the two men. Officer McDonald and I walked up to these two men and searched them. While searching these two men the arrested person was observed sitting farther back in the show on the third seat from the rear of the show. I walked back to the North aisle and back to the row where the suspect was sitting. Officer McDonald had walked back to the row where the suspect was. Officer Hutson had entered the row behind the suspect, walking ahead of me, toward the suspect.

I observe Officer McDonald as he walked up to the suspect and said something to him. The suspect stood up and faced Officer McDonald. At that time I was approaching the suspect from his back. Officer McDonald reached down as if to search the suspect and as he did the suspect hit him